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# **RUSSIA ADMITS**

Petrograd Tells of Preparations to Evacuate Fortress of Kovno.

#### BERLIN CLAIMS

Capture of Important Railway Junction and Storming of One Fort Reported.

AERIAL ACTIVITY CONTINUES

Zeppelins Are Dropping Bombs Over Many Points on the Russian Line.

London, Aug. 11.-Capture by the Germans of the important railway junction south of Ostrow, the storming of Fort Benjaminow, east of Novo Georgievsk heavy operations under the personal command of Von Hindenburg against Riga, and the continued retreat of the entire Russian line from Lomza south German Boat Sinks Britisher to Novo Georgievsk is reported by Berlin tonight.

It is semi-officially admitted in Petro grad that preparations are under way for the evacuation of Kovno, the fortress on the extreme north of the Russian second line, on which the Russians' right wing had intended to rest in a new defensive. The Germans have occupied the strotegically important village of Piple, on the left bank of the Niemen, from which sank the British partol ship Ramsay in point the heavy guns they have brought the North Sea. Pursued by British up command the inner ring of forfts warships and seeing that escape was at Kovno, six miles away. The Russians have made heroic and sustained efforts Meteor blew up his ship. to dislodge the Germans, but the latter have organized their positions so firmly Ramsay's crew were saved. iFve ofthat despite heavy losses they have been ficers perished. All aboard the other able to ho'd their ground and keep up destroyed ships were rescued. their battering of Kovno

Vilna's Population Leaving. Kovno is the principal obstacle to German advance on Vilna, the important point on the Petrograd Railway, at which the Germans are striking. In view of the danger at Kovno, the population of Vilna is reported to be leaving the city

Besides being menaced from the direction of Kovno, Vilna is the objective of a strong Teuton force advancing southward toward Vilkomir, on the roads approaching Vilna. Here the Russians, for the moment at least, are checking the German advance, but are believed to be outnumbered.

in the fighting around Kovno the Ger mans claim to have increased the number of prisoners taken since Sunday to 2,116 cargoes were shipped by M. H. Houser, and to have taken sixteen machine guns. The capture of the railway junction south of Ostrow is likely to prove an North Sea by a mine on Monday, acimportant success for the Germans, as cording to an admiralty statement toit has enabled them to cut not only the Warsaw-Petrograd line, but also the day. rallway from Ostroloenka and Ostrow to "BITE THE BUBBLE," Seidice. It is possible that the Russians, falling back from the Lomza line and from the Narew, will be seriously put to it to find a way out now that their principal line of retreat had gone. Slavs Hope to Save Riga.

Important developments are expected in the fighting before Riga within the next few days. That the German operations there are of the most serious character is indicated by the presence of Field Marshal von Hindenburg himself. At the moment the Russians are carying on a vigorous offensive in hopes of saving the city. Berlin reports that the Russian attacks have been repulsed. German warships are active outside the Gulf of Riga, and it is believed that the explanation of the Russian strong land attacks is to be found in the fact that some of their war vessels have been trapped in the harbor. The city itself is almost deserted, and all materials of

tinues on the eastern front, Zeppelins hovering over the Russian lines at many points and dropping bembs. Both Novo Georgievsk and Brest-Litovsk have been subjected to attacks from the sky.

#### There Was Once an Idiot

-who achieved fame in his community by finding and returning a lost horse to its owner after half the town had failed. When questioned as to how he managed "Well, I jest figgered where I'd go if I was a hoss, an' I went there an' there he was." Simple process of reasoning but effective.

To get anything you want, figure out ond-hand auto, or want to get your sewing machine fixed, or want any one and which somebody in Washington can fill—get to the man who has it with a Herald want ad, It's the simple and

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#### **Great Offensive Movement Against** Turkey Is Started by the Allies

ecial Cable to The Washington Herald. London, Aug. 11.-Combined land and ardous mission with the clearing of the gains on Gallipoli and the reported destruction of the cruiser Breslau, scourge

official dispatches from Athens tonight leaving only the Breslau. brought news of the most daring submarine feat in history, as a result of which

Few details are yet available, but the planation of the daring of the British phorus and under the guns of the Bos-

Spurred on by the successes of sub- Once there it is supposed she made for marines which have conducted raids in Odessa to replenish her supplies, and the Sea of Marmora and even have en- then forth on her campaign against the tered the Golden Horn and torpedoed ships Turks. Little information is at hand yet at their moorings in Constantinople har- of the torpedoing of the Breslau

tles Own Boat.

today by reports of ten ships being

The German auxiliary cruiser Meteo

Four officers and thirty men of th

The Meteor was a 3,613-ton vessel,

formerly owned by the Hamburg-

American line. The Ramsay also was

a former merchantman commandeered

by the British government at the be-

Of the vessels sunk by submarines

five were trawlers. The other five were

the French bark Francois, the Norwe-

The Francois had aboard 111,293 bush-

ginning of the war.

ma C. Astoria.

of Portland, Ore.

impossible the commander of

sunk, two of them neutrals.

sea actions which have resulted in heavy Black Sea as his goal. The Breslau and Goeben, German cruisers which early in the war escaped from an Italian port. of Russian commerce in the Black Sea, dashed through the British Mediterraby a British submarine, herald a great hean fleet and reached Constantinople offensive movement of the allies against where they were sold to the Turkish government, have been the only vessels Following optimistic reports from Gen. speedy enough to menace Russian ves-Sir Ian Hamilton, in charge of opera- sels in the Black Sea. The Goeben retions against the Dardanelles forts, and cently was reported disabled by a mine The British submarine was forced to pass beneath the mine fields in the nar-

bor, the commander set forth on his haz

the Breslau was torpedoed, a Turkish rows of the Dardanelles, go through the gunboat sunk and a transport sent to the Sea of Marmora, the waters of which are infested with Turkish craft of all descriptions and some recently arrived Gerfact that the Turkish ships were sunk man mines, and then through the unin the Black Sea is in itself enough ex- charted mine-filled waters of the Bossubmarine whose torpedoes did the phorus fortifications to reach the Black

#### Insists Kaiser "Subs" Sink Ten Merchant Ships

Russian Newspaper Confirms Rumor that Germany Sought Teuton Captain Then Scut-Separate Treaty.

> many offered Russia Galicia and the Dardanelles, with a guarantee of the integrity of her frontiers, Germany stipulating for Egypt on the pretext of ceding the same to Turkey and for a free hand to deal with Russia's allies. "This attempt testifies," says the pa-

ganized espionage Germany entirely fails avenue. to discount the sentiment of the Russian authorities and the whole Russian people, while the cynicism of the proposals themselves must surprise everybody. "The assumption that the Germans.

after the capture of Warsaw, would promptly hurl their forces against the

veloping a fresh offensive in the direcgian steamer Garringer, the British tion of interior Russia, apparently with steamer Oakwood, the Russian bark the support of huge new levies.

Without waiting to accomplish the Baltzer, and the Norwegian bark Norvelopment of the Russians who are fall-Both the Francois and Norma sailed ing back from the Vistula, they are enfrom Portland, Ore., for British ports deavoring to storm Kovno, at the same in March. The Norma carried \$1.897 time marching on an extended front bebushels of grain, valued at \$131,037, tween Niemen and Dwina, northward toward Riga, eastward toward Dwinsk, and els of wheat, valued at \$178,070. Both southward toward Vilna.

In an article in the Novoe Vremya Menshikoff suggests the true ultimate ob- French Writer Says Steel King's Miljective of the German offensive is Pet-Two officers were lost with the torpedoboat destroyer Lynx, sunk in the rograd, and there is only a night's railway journey between Riga and Petrobe accomplished by express," he writes, nevertheless a distance of 26 odd miles over a good road with two lines of railway do not offer many difficulties."

#### U. S. HEALTH HINT **GERMAN CATHOLICS** Public Health Service Says: "Lips CRITICISE PRESIDENT

Should Not Touch Bubbling Drinking Fountain." Federation of Societies Say Wilson "Bite the bubble" is the latest "health Has Not Acted in Accordance

hint" from the United States Public Health Service. The expert from the service says: "If improperly constructed or improp

erly used, the bubbling drinking fountain may be a greater menace to health than the common drinking cup. The other day an inspector of the Public Health Service took a seat beside a bubbling orinking fountain in a railway station and watched the way in which it was

were men, twenty-two women, and fourteen children, used the bubbling fountain. drive public opinion to a partisan stand In almost every case the lips were in regard to this war, even to becommetal ball from which the water spurted and one small boy seemed as if he were sion of Congress to consider relief of trying to swallow it. Several of the men obviously were chewing tobacco. "In using the bubbling fountain the of certain great agricultural sections." line should not touch any part of the

#### SPIES SPOIL KAISER'S PLAN.

fountain."

German Ruler's Tiumphal Entry Into Wareaw.

Amsterdam, Aug. 11.-Fear that Rus sian spies would attempt his life delayed the triumphal entry of the Kaiser into conflict." Warsaw, it was learned from reliable sources here today.

The Emperor planned to enter the upon the heels of the Russians. But rumors reached the German secret service If you're looking for a new job, a that all the public places in Warsaw had better home, a piece of property, a sec- been mined and agents of the Czar lef. behind in the Polish capital with orders rangements for his immediate entry into the capital were canceled.

with Neutral Policy. St. Paul. Aug. 11.-The failure President Wilson to confer with the Committee on Foreign Relations during the recent diplomatic exchanges was criticised as "setting a dangerous

precedent" in resolutions adopted today by the Federation of German Catholic Societies assembled here. Asserting that the administration has not acted in accordance with its proclamation of neutrality, the resolutions declare "although not with evil

ing active participants in the conflict." The resolutions urge a special ses-

"great injury the war has wrought to Bank Teller Confesses that Story o entire industries and the economic life It is also insisted that this Congress should give the President power to establish a general embargo.

"And we hope," the document concludes, "that the experience of this war may lead to the enactment of a law which will for all future time prohibit the exportation of arms and ammuni-

#### EIR THOMAS LIPTON IGNORED.

London, Aug. 11.-Sir Thomas Linto to ascertain why the mayor of Chicag has not acknowledged the long cable

## FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. May Sanger Taken from Insane Asylum in Auto.

#### STRANGERS TRICK GUARD

Victim of "Kidnapping" Speeds to Home, Gets Child, and Vanishes as Police Arrive.

Three men in a high-powered autoesterday "kidnapped" Mrs. May Sanger, a patient at the Government Hospital for the Insane. The auto; was driven into the grounds and in front of the ward where she was confined. As she approached the machine, two of the men lifted her into the tonneau, leaped in after her and the car was driven off at high speed. Mrs. Sanger was committed to the asylum Friday for treatment of nervous disorders. Twice before her commitment and twice afterwards, she attempted to take her life, health officials say. She lived at 1748 M street Sued for Peace northwest with her husband, Harry Sanger, connected with a department tore. They have one child.

Calls Himself "Relative."

Late yesterday, the automobile con aining the three men drove up to the entrance of the asylum, was admitted and rolled up the driveway to one of the women's wards. The man who appeared to be the leader asked an attendant to see Mrs. May Sanger. declaring he was a relative.

Mrs. Sanger was summoned and attendants left her side as she approached the men. Two of the men had left the automobile. The attendants looked back Were About to Make Two-Commanders Are Ordered to upon hearing a commotion, and saw the men push the woman through the open door of the automobile. The car speeded per, "that in spite of her brilliantly or- away and disappeared down Nichols

driven across Washington to 1748 M and reappeared with her 6-year-old child. the police say. As the auto was driven

An auto from the hospital had attempted pursuit, but had given up the

friends or relatives of his wife had planned the seizure with her consent. She had been committed to the asylum with his consent, as he believed her nervous troubles could be cured.

#### WISHES A. CARNEGIE HAD REMAINED POOR

lions Are Promoting Illegitimate Peace.

Paris, Aug. 11.-"It would have been better if Andrew Carnegie had remaine

So says Emile Gautier, in a leading article in the France de Demain, in which he arraigns the steel king as fol

"It is Carnegie who subventions the innumerable lecturers and pamphleteers to spread the German gospel in the two Americas, even in Europe, and up to our very doors.

"It is Carnegie who inspires and main tains the agitation in favor of some sort of an illegitimate peace in which the in the Veljevo Hospital during the war, whole profit shall belong to the incen- with serums prepared by the Dunbar diaries, executioners, pirates and wreckers to whom immunity will thus be as-

"Such is the outcome of an existend dedicated to beneficence, justice and fra-

"This Croesus, who has been pointed out to our millionaires as a model, will end in the dishonored hide of a courties and an accomplice of the new Attila. banned by human kind and history."

## BANDIT HELD HIM UP

Being Forced to Open Vault Was Fabrication.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Aug. 11.-Leo L Perrin, paying teller of the Cedar Rapids National Bank, which was robbed of \$20,070 on August 4, confessed today that his story of an armed bandit entering the bank and forcing him to open the vault was a fabrication, and that he himself committed the theft. Ten thousand of the amount stolen have been rethe amount having been, hidden in a

he had contracted through real estate and

#### How U.S. is Preparing for Eventualities in Mexico Newport, R. I., Aug. 11 .- All the battleships in the Atlantic fleet sta-

tioned here began making preparations this afternoon for departure on a few hours' notice. The officers have arranged their affairs for a quick leave taking. Only short shore leave is being granted to the officers

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 11.—Orders to prepare the battleship Vermont and Delaware for sea as soon as possible have been received here. The Delaware is having an entire new battery of five-inch guns installed in her port and starboard turrets. 'The Vermont is having a new propeller

The United States ordered the remainder of the fourth battleship division of the Atlantic fleet to proceed to "Southern waters." The Louisiana and New Hampshire already are on their way. The Connecticut is in Haiti. The Kansas and Minnesota are undergoing repairs, and will probably go later. The collier Cyclops also has sailed. These ships will have on board about 3,000 marines and blue jackets.

Secretary of War Garrison telegraphed Gen. Funston, in command on the border, that every available soldier would be sent him if needed. Funston now has 14,000 men on the line, with 7,000 more at Texas City, making a total of 21,000. The 7,000 men at Texas City will probably be moved soon to the scene of action.

Secretary Lansing arrived in Washington from New York at 12:15 this morning. The Secretary of State will discuss the Mexican question with the President upon the President's arrival in Washington today.

El Paso, Aug. 11 .- Two hundred Mexican soldiers, supposedly of the Villa faction, crossed the line near Langtry, Texas, Tuesday and burned a railway bridge, doing damage estimated at \$3,500 and shooting at American ranchers in that section, according to railway reports re-

#### Firemen Rescue Women at Blaze

story Jump When

ing. They were driven to a second-story I Engine Company dashed up and lad- ings," his orders read. ders were extended.

The women were taken down by Capt. Western and F. Kotch, of the engine change of plans.

husband Robert Herson, being out of mission. ladders arrived.

damage was about \$300.

#### SERUM CURES 981/2 PER CENT OF CHOLERA CASES

Serbian Army Physician Reports Successful Experiments with New Remedy.

Paris, Aug. 11 .- Dr. Petrovitch, of the Serbian army, has presented to the Academy of Medicine in Paris a report of the results of the treatment of cholera method.

He says that in the gravest cases hypodermic injections were employed and to others the intravenous method was followed. In 1,503 light cases only two deaths occurred. In ninety cases of moderate gravity there were no deaths. In 157 of the gravest cases seven deaths occurred. In all the cases the percentage of deaths was slightly over 11-2.

In all the cases treated otherwise than nearly 91-2 and in the severest cases 56 per cent.

Vaccination against typhoid is being rapidly applied in all branches of the French army. Prof. Widel has informed the Academy of Medicine that no inconvenience whatever is experienced by the soldiers in receiving the anti-typhoid

#### NEW SHELL'S FIRE TESTED.

## Villa's Soldiers Lay Down Arms

Cease All Hostilities, Pending Peace Proceedings.

El Paso, Aug. 11.-There were two Anna Rencer, were rescued from proba- important developments in the Mexibly serious injury shortly after midnight can situation. Gen. Villa has practithis morning when fire broke out in a cally laid down his arms. He has orgrocery store at 1523 Eleventh street dered all his commanders to cease hosnorthwest, over which they were sleep- tilities. This is the first development. "Only in case of assaults upon vital porch by the smoke, and were consider- strategic positions will I give combat ing the jump of eighteen feet when No. to the nemy, pending peace proceed-

Gen. Hugh L. Scott's visit to the border is known positively to have P. J. Hollohan, Lieut, Leaman, R. W. been directly responsible for Vills. The second development is that

Mrs. Herson and Miss Rencer were while Gen. Scott has practically per- that the publication of the warning here factions to settle their differences by alone in the apartment over the store suaded Villa to cease hostilities, he when the fire broke out. Mrs. Herson's has failed in the second part of his

cally prepared for the drop just as the territory. Villa promised Scott he ity among marauding bands of Mexican would indefinitely postpone the meet- bandits in the neighborhood of Browns-The fire is thought to have started in ing in which he would place his ultia carton of matches in the store. The matum before the foreign miners. Instead of doing this Villa a few

pay their labor in his paper and buy change on the border fluctuates around 100 pesos for a dollar. In other words Villa wants the

#### WILSON HURRIES BACK: **MEXICAN PLAN READY**

President Will Assume Personal Charge of Situation When He Arrives Today.

by serum, the percentage of deaths was row. It is understood that he is deter- an expeditionary force of marines to and Daniels on national defense are also

#### U. S. AIRSHIP PLANS STOLEN. Prof. Myers Says Thief Sought Only

Navy Department Data. Utica, N. Y., Aug. 11.-Prof. Car was engaged by the Navy Departme

#### BRESLAU-IS TORPEDOED.

## **ULTIMATUM WILL GO** TO CARRANZA TODAY; WAR CRAFT GO SOUTH

Diplomats Agree on Note Which If Ignored By Carranza May Force United States to Resort to Arms.

### CLASH WITH LATIN-AMERICA?

Representatives of Southern Republics Likely to Oppose Drastic Action by Washington-Anti-foreign Riots Throughout Mexico Feared.

The United States is preparing for Mexican situation will be precipitated toeventualities with Mexico-not with morrow view to occupation at this time, but with a full realization that a continuation of the policy of ugly and pan-American representatives agreed public antagonism being pursued by upon a joint note which will be dis-General Carranza, may necessitate the use of armed forces to preserve American and other foreign lives.

Strong evidence was laid before the State Department yesterday in the a warning issued by "First Chief" Carform of dispatches from Vera Cruz ranza to all the nations participating in and the northern border that Carranza the conference that he would regard the is pushing a propaganda which has for its purpose the inciting of antiforeign disorders in all parts of Mex-

get out of hand. The public presen- use of force. tation by the Carranza agent, E. Ar- Carranza, it was pointed out, redondo, of a threatening protest sist any effort that may be made to eson Mexico, heightened the uneasiness. American agreement the receipt of a cablegram from Con- States to back up with such force as may quieter in Vera Cruz, and that the tion of Carranza. governor of the city had issued a "deprecating" anti-foreign

The Carranga protest addressed to Sec- among retary of State Lansing yesterday is re- America by Carranza that any attempt to influ-Mexican problem. the course of internal political Mosico by the conference will is in contempt

ed as n act of hostility. tear expre sed here yesterday was would be the signal for fresh and more some practicable plan in which all of the serious outbreaks in Vera Cruz and Mex- opposing leaders will participate. ico City. Evidence was laid before the

State Department vesterday the anti-foreign agitation in Vera Cruz. of the other world powers as well. Word was received at the State Dehours after he left Scott called the partment yesterday that Zapatista raidmeeting and demanded that the miners ers had blown up a pilot train sent ahead of the train bearing the Brahis currency from him at the rate of zilian Minister from Mexico City to Vera international law as insurgents and dethree pesos for a dollar, when the exbeen held up somewhere between Mexico City and Vera Cruz in consequence. Senor Cardoso was expected in Vera Cruz American gold, while the Mexican at noon yesterday. Late in the afterminers must be satisfied with his flat noon the department had not been apprised of his arrival.

The administration in the State, War and Navy Departments is avoiding studiously any public move which might be construed as an overt act by Carranza. Nevertheless, no time is being lost in preparation for eventualities. Under command of Rear Admiral Mc-Lean, the Louisiana is steaming south, New Haven, Conn., Aug. 11 (on board ostensibly under orders to southern President Wilson's train)-President Wil- waters, but actually under orders to son is speeding back to Washington with make the best possible speed for Vera a fully-matured Mexican policy. He will Cruz. The Connecticut, another fourth assume personal charge immediately division ship, is in Haitian waters and apon his arrival in Washington tomor- has been ordered to prepare to take mined upon the elimination of Carranza Vera Crus or Tampico on short notice. as the one stumbling block now in the The Tennessee, now en route to Haiti way of peace. He will confer with Sec- with an expeditionary force of maries. retary Lansing tomorrow, and definite is in constant wireless communication action is expected in the near future, with the Navy Department, and can be Conferences with Secretaries Garrison diverted to Vera Cruz if conditions demand. The New Hampshire, of the fourth division, is tied up at Newport differences; and also agreed on the ready to steam on an hour's notice.

All or none of these ships may go to Vers Cruz : If conditions quiet down the Louisiana will be held in southern waters. The administration desires to avoid a demonstration of force if pos- sing that the last phrase of this sible, but will take no more chances than it already has taken in permitting and it was read to him with a reconditions to reach their present peril-

Secretary of the Navy Daniels re- agreed to put it in that form. It turned to their desks yesterday. Sec- will give you something to speculate and of the border forces, he with President Wilson

New York, Aug. 11.-The crisis to to

Meeting at the Hotel Biltmore this afternoon, the adjourned conference of patched before sundown to all the fac-

tions in the border republic, urging them upon a stable governmeat. contemplated step as an unwarranted and

The dispatch of the note agreed to to It is realized that the "first chief" day, therefore, throws down the sauntis in a position to force the hand of let to the constitutionalist chieftain, and this government if he permits his fol- there was a general understanding tolowers and those lawless bands which night that the plans lecided upon by the overrun Mexico from sea to border to conference can only be put 'hrough by

against the pan-American conference tablish a government under the panwhich had been somewhat allayed by The alternative will be for the United

sul John R. Silliman, at Vera Cruz. be necessary any government that is es-Silliman wired that conditions were tablished in Mexico without the co-opera-

garded as tantamount to a public threat support to the use of force in settling the Following is the complete plan which

> reached today: First-The appeal will

danger from the flames, they had franti- mining men and merchants in Villa strongly to prove that the unusual activ- shall set up a government which in due the United States and all the Central and

Third-The faction or factions that fail to agree to this plan shall come under the ban of all the powers recognizing the new government, being classified under equipment for warfare, which at the same time will be freely permitted to reach the new government. The opposition, tr

other words, will be strangled Fourth-With a provisional gove thus established, the way will be paved for a general election at which the people of Mexico will select a full set

Finally, with these details fully carried out, a plan will be deviced for

While this is the complete plan which is in contemplation for the pacfication of the republic, today's conference dealt only with the first item on the program, that of the wording of the note of appeal which is to be sent out tomorrow urging all the factions to get together.

Secretary of State Laneing made this statement at the conclusion of

"We agreed upon or assented to proposition that a communication be Mexico urging them to compose their governments with reference to the

statement was somewhat ambiguous

quest that he make it clearer. "I know." se said smilingly." not as clear as might be, but it was